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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

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MAYOR'S ACTION

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WHEREAS, in 1956 the Georgia General Assembly adopted a new flag of stars and bars (the Confederate States Battle Flag) and

WHEREAS, this State flag was adopted in defiance of court-initiated integration (**1954 Brown v. the Board of Education**); and

WHEREAS, this flag has flown for some forty-five (45) years; and

WHEREAS, the City's Code of Ordinances requires that only the flags of the United States and the city shall be prominently displayed in the council chambers.

WHEREAS, the 2001 Session of the Georgia General Assembly, through a majority vote of both the House and Senate, voted to change the landscape of the flag; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, the City of Atlanta chose to fly, instead, the pre-1956 flag in its Chambers; and

WHEREAS, this flag depicts the State's seal along with Georgia's flag history; and

WHEREAS, this flag was adopted at great personal and political sacrifice for some members; and

WHEREAS, this legislation was signed by Governor Roy Barnes, and now flies over the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta supported the flag change and commends the State leadership for its foresight and perseverance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

Section 1: That Section 2-43 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta which reads:

"Sec. 2-43. Display of flags.

The flags of the United States and the city shall be prominently displayed in the council chambers."

**Be amended to read:**

"Sec. 2-43. Display of flags.

The flags of the United States, **the State of Georgia** and the city shall be prominently displayed in the council chambers."

Section 2: That the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to fly the new Georgia flag that was adopted by the Legislature and signed by Governor Barnes in January, 2001 at **all** City facilities.

Section 3: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.